



I received my bachelor's degree from Tulane University and my law degree from the Cumberland School of Law, where I served as a Teaching Fellow and as an editor of *The American Journal of Trial Advocacy*.

I am rated "AV Preeminent" by Martindale-Hubbell, which is the highest possible rating given to an attorney. The "AV Preeminent" designation signifies that an attorney has been peer-rated by judges and fellow attorneys as having the highest possible legal abilities and ethical standards. Only 5% of the attorneys in the United States have received this rating.

Since 2007, I have been board-certified as an expert in construction law by the Florida Bar Association. The Florida Bar awards this distinction to only 7% of all attorneys in the State of Florida.

In the Pensacola community, I serve as a Special Magistrate for the Escambia County Environmental Code Enforcement Division, where I adjudicate violations of the County's environmental code and land

development code. I am Past-President of the Pensacola Rotary Club, where I have been a member for 25 years. I am general counsel to, and a prior board member of, Ever'man Natural Foods, a Pensacola co-operative grocery providing the largest variety of natural and certified organic products within a 150-mile radius of Pensacola. I have also served as a member of the Santa Rosa Island Authority Steering Committee, where I was charged with reviewing and guiding the creation of a master development plan for Pensacola Beach, and I served on the Board of Directors for the Lakeview Foundation, which financially supports the vision and mission of Lakeview Health System.

When I am not in the office, I can often be found in the Gulf of Mexico, either surfing its waves or fishing its waters.

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